

**Summary Report
of the
Administration
of the
Palanpur State.
1939-40.**

To

Lieutenant-Colonel His Highness

Zubd-tul-Mulk Dewan Mahakhan Nawab
Shri Taley Muhammed Khan Bahadur,
G.C.I.E., K.C.V.O., A.D.C.,
NAWAB SAHEB OF PALANPUR.

May It Please Your Highness,

I have the honour to submit to Your Highness the Summary
Report of the Administration of the Palanpur State for the
year ending 31st October 1940.

Huzur Office,
Palanpur,
4th June, 1941.

I beg to remain,
Your Highness' most obedient servant,
J. R. Dhurandhar,
Wazir, Palanpur State.

SUMMARY REPORT OF THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE PALANPUR STATE

1939-40.

CHAPTER I.

Boundaries.

The State of Palanpur is bounded on the North by the States of Jodhpur and Sirohi; on the East by Sirohi, Danta and the Sabar Kantha Agency; on the South by Pattan, Sidhpur and Kheralu Talukas of the Baroda State; and on the West by the Tharad State and the Deodar and Kankrej Thanas of the Banas Division of the Sabar Kantha Agency.

Area & Population.

2. The State embraces an area of 1,774.64 square miles with 522 villages. The population according to the Census of 1931 is 2,65,424 souls showing an increase of 21,512 over 1921.

Revenue.

3. The net revenue calculated on the average of the last five years amounted to Rs. 11,98,640/-, while the actual net revenue during the year 1939-40 was Rs. 11,70,331/-.

Capital City.

4. The Capital city of Palanpur is situated on the B. B. & C. I. Railway and has a population of 20,347 souls. Of these, 11,329 are Hindus, 6,472 Muhammedans, 2,513 Jains, while 33 are of other castes.

The Ruler.

5. Lieutenant-Colonel His Highness Zubd-tul-Mulk Dewan Mahakhan Nawab Shri Taley Muhammed Khan Bahadur, G. C. I. E., K. C. V. O., A. D. C. Nawab Saheb of Palanpur is the Ruler and enjoys a salute of 13 guns.

Political.

6. The political relations of the State with the Paramount Power continued to be very cordial.

7. Relations with the neighbouring States have also been cordial as in the past.

8. On the 11th November 1939 the Armistice Day was observed and there was arranged, as usual, a complete suspension of all business for 2 minutes at 11 A. M. at gun fire.

9. In commemoration of the Empire Day the 24th May 1940 was observed as a public holiday throughout the State.

10. The birthday of His Imperial Majesty the King Emperor fell on the 13th June 1940, which day was observed as a public holiday as usual.

11. In response to the announcement made by His Excellency the Crown Representative in the Press for the formation of War Committees, His Highness the Nawab Saheb Bahadur was pleased to sanction the formation of the following War Committees consisting of State officers and leading gentlemen of all communities :—

In Palanpur :—

- (1) A Central War Committee with the Heir-Apparent as President and the Wazir as Chairman.
- (2) The Financial Sub-Committee with the Wazir as Chairman.
- (3) The Propaganda Committee with the Customs and Education Minister as Chairman.

At the head-quarters of each Tehsil :—

- (1) The Tehsil War Committee,
- (2) The Financial Sub-Committee,
- (3) The Propaganda Sub-Committee, with the Tehsildar as Chairman.

The Financial Sub-Committees collect contributions to the war purposes and allied funds, induce the public to subscribe for the War Loan Bonds and arrange for holding fetes, raffles, lotteries, benefit performances etc.

The Propaganda Sub-Committees take steps to suppress false and alarming news, disseminate correct news by all methods and inform the authorities of undesirable persons and their activities.

12. The inaugural meeting of the Central War Committee was held under the auspices of His Highness the Nawab Saheb Bahadur.

13. The contribution of a monthly amount of Rs. 1,500/- (Rs. 1,000/- from the State and Rs. 500/- from His Highness' Privy Purse) was continued to be paid as in previous year to His Excellency the Viceroy's War-Purposes Fund for such use as it might please His Excellency the Viceroy towards the successful prosecution of the War.

Further contributions to the War Fund have been made as under :—

1. Rs. 5,400/- (Rs. 2,700/- from His Highness' Privy Purse and Rs. 2,700/- from the State) being the equivalent of £. 400 for the relief of air raid victims.
2. Rs. 200/- from His Highness the Nawab Saheb Bahadur to St. Dunstan's Fund for the War-blinded men of India and the Empire.

14. His Highness the Nawab Saheb Bahadur was pleased to sanction reciprocal arrangement with British India for extradition of offenders under the Defence of India Act and Rules made thereunder with effect from the 6th August 1940.

Events of Importance in the State.

15. The most important event during the period under report was the birth of a grandson to His Highness on the 14th November 1939. Salutes were fired and the 15th and 16th November 1939 were observed as public holidays in honour of the event. A Darbar was held on the 18th November 1939 and that day was also observed as a public holiday. In commemoration of this auspicious occasion His Highness the Nawab Saheb Bahadur was pleased to remit from the cultivators Rs. 75,000/- out of the arrears of Vighoti amounting to about Rs. 1½ lac upto St. year 1984.

16. His Highness the Nawab Saheb Bahadur has been pleased to sanction the Palanpur Raj Sabha Electoral Rules 1940. The preparation of electoral rolls in accordance with these Rules is in progress.

17. The 26th May 1940 having been observed as a day of National Prayer in response to the Appeal from His Excellency the Viceroy, a large number of Hindu, Muslim and Jain population of the State took part in the special prayers held in their respective places of worship for complete success of the British Arms in the present War.

18. Parikh Nanchand Gulabchand of Dhanera donated

an amount of Rs. 11,348/- for the construction of a building for the Dhanera Dispensary and the Doctor.

19. The reduction of 50 percent in the customs duty on imported yarn sanctioned as an experimental measure, with a view to encourage the hand-loom cottage industry at Kanodar, was further extended by 12 months more.

20. The control of prices of food-stuffs and prohibition of export of certain commodities were removed during the period under report.

21. His Highness has been pleased to order that the State, if satisfied, will help any caste or community in enforcing resolutions passed by them which would aim at social reform or curtailment of social expenditure.

22. His Highness the Nawab Saheb Bahadur has been pleased to sanction the taking of Census of the Palanpur State for 1941 in accordance with provisions similar to those of the British Indian Census Act (No. 24 of 1939) and the Rules made thereunder. Mr. Nahnalal J. Desai, High Court Pleader, Diwani Nyayadhish, has been appointed Chief Census Officer of the Palanpur State for the Decennial Census of 1941.

23. His Highness the Nawab Saheb Bahadur has been pleased to sanction that no immovable property shall, except with the previous sanction of His Highness, be sold, gifted, mortgaged, leased, or hired on rent to any jurisdictional Talukdar, or a Foreigner residing out of India, or to an institution established outside the Palanpur State territory or

to any person or persons of these classes or races or to any person or persons on their behalf.

24. Section 2 of the Legal Practitioners Act in force in this State has been amplified by defining the term "State subject".

25. The scope of the Wireless Telegraphy and Broadcast Receiver Rules sanctioned last year for the Palanpur State has been extended by providing rules for issuing licences to Dealers.

26. The opening ceremony of the power works of the "Deesa Fateh Electric Supply Company" was performed by His Highness the Nawab Saheb Bahadur on the 24th December 1939 and electricity has since then been supplied to the Deesa Town.

27. The personnel of the Executive Council consisted of the Wazir as President and two other Ministers as Members. His Highness has been pleased to add one more member to the Council and to appoint Mr. N. P. Mehta, B. A., LL. B., Sar Nyayadhish, as a member and Mr. Manibhai D. Tripathi, Extradition Officer, as Secretary to the Council.

His Highness' Travelling.

28. His Highness went to Bombay on the 22nd February 1940 to congratulate Namdar Yuvraj Shri Digvijay-sinhji Saheb of Limbdi on the auspicious occasion of the birth of a son to him.

29. On account of the sad demise of Thakore Shri Sir

Dolatsinhji Bahadur, K. C. S. I., K. C. I. E., of Limbdi, His Highness the Nawab Saheb Bahadur paid a condolence visit to Limbdi on the 3rd October 1940.

Distinguished visitors.

30. The following Ruling Princes and distinguished persons visited Palanpur during the period under report.

31. His Highness the Maharaja Saheb of Kashmir, His Highness the Maharana Saheb of Porbandar, Their Highness the Nawab Saheb and Senior Begum Saheba of Radhanpur; the Maharaj Kumar Saheb of Bikaner; Thakore Saheb of Ambaliara; Maharaj Pruthusingh of Danta-Ehavangadh, Malek Shri Bapumian Saheb; Sir Ali Mahomed Khan Dehlavi; Kt., Bar-at-Law, J. P., Major Patterson, Military Adviser, Major Gredwood; and Mr. Shattock.

32. Major N. S. Alington, M. C., Resident, Western Rajputana States, visited Palanpur on the 10th February, 7th March and 7th August 1940.

Changes in Establishment.

33. Mr. Khodabhai S. Desai, B. A., Revenue Minister, retired from State service on account of ill health. In the order sanctioning Mr. Khodabhai's resignation His Highness the Nawab Saheb Bahadur was pleased to appreciate his services in this State in the following terms:—

"It is a matter of pleasure to note that during his 19 years' service in this State, Mr. Khodabhai has satisfied the State and the public by the faithful and zealous discharge

of his duty and his resignation has resulted in a loss to the State of an able officer". In appreciation of his service His Highness was pleased to present him a poshak. Mr. Yahyamian Y. Syed, B. A., LL. B., Sar Nyayadhish was appointed Revenue Minister, while Mr. N. P. Mehta, B. A., LL.B., Judge, Small Causes Court, was appointed Sar Nyayadhish, Mr. P. A. Kothari, High Court Pleader, Registrar, Judicial Adviser Court, was appointed Judge, Small Causes Court, while Mr. K. N. Mehta, B. A., LL. B., was appointed Taluka & City First Class Magistrate. Mr. P. C. Kothari, Gadh Tehsildar, was appointed Khangi Officer and Mr. M. A. Syed, B. A., LL.B. was appointed Gadh Tehsildar. Mr. T. J. Nanavati was appointed Deesa Tehsildar.

CHAPTER II.

Land Administration.

34. Mr. Khodabhai Somabhai Desai, B. A., worked as the Revenue Minister until 15th May 1940, when he retired. Mr. Yahyamian Y. Syed, B. A., LL.B., who was appointed in his place has been working as the Revenue Minister since then.

Land Revenue.

35. The land revenue realised during the year under report was Rs. 4,47,384/- against' Rs. 4,96,710/- in 1938-39. The decrease was due (1) to the suspension of the grazing ijara when the early rains failed in July 1939, (2) to the reduction of the amount of najrana in consequence of the extension of the rights of succession to agricultural property, (3) to the abolition of certain cesses and (4) to the grant of remissions.

36. The land is generally cultivated by Kunbis (Lewa, Karadwa and Anjana), Mumans, Rajputs, Koli Thakardas and other classes as tenants-at-will. The Jagir villages are held by Bhayats, Jiwaidars, Pattawats, Inamdaras and Dharmada holders and in these villages also the land is cultivated by the same class of people as in the State villages and as tenants-at-will.

37. The system of assessment in practice is chiefly cash assessment. For revenue purposes, the State is divided into 7 Mahals with a separate Tehsildar for each.

38. The rainfall in the Palanpur City during the year 1939-40 was 14 inches 82 cents against 18 inches 61 cents last year. The minimum rainfall required for agricultural purposes is about 25 inches. The condition of the monsoon crops of Jowari and pulses during the year was not satisfactory on account of deficiency in the rainfall.

39. The contribution to the Famine Reserve Fund and Bijwara Fund from the State revenues have been continued. Arrangements for storage of grass to meet the shortage of fodder in a year of scarcity are under consideration.

Cattle.

40. There was an epidemic of rinderpest among cattle in Shri Amirgadh Taluka in the year 1939-40. The Veterinary Surgeon who was deputed there inoculated the animals.

Agriculture.

41. Cotton cultivation fell from 1,416 acres to 955 acres.

Well and Well-takavi.

42. 289 new wells were sunk during the year under report making the total number of wells in the State 6,721.

43. Cultivators are encouraged to sink new wells by the grant of takavi loans at 3-1/8% simple interest. The amount advanced is made recoverable within 10 years by annual instalments.

44. An amount of Rs. 23,300/- was advanced to needy cultivators for sinking new wells during the year under report. An amount of Rs. 10/- per each pucca well is also being given as "kuva kanthi" reward to any cultivator who sinks a pucca well at his own cost and an amount of Rs 300/- was accordingly given as "kuva kanthi reward" to cultivators for constructing pucca wells during the year under report. The State also remitted customs duty on cement used by cultivators for constructing new pucca wells which amounted to Rs. 171/-.

45. Takavi advances are also given for agricultural requirements to needy cultivators.

Survey.

46. The Survey Department prepared papers for the settlement of Dhandha village in Palanpur Taluka. After fixing the rates the Pahnisud and Khatavahi of village Kumbhasan in the Gadh Taluka were prepared.

Remissions.

47. His Highness continued the annual remission in vighoti of Rs. 24,204/- granted as a special case since 1930-31, in view of the fall in the prices of commodities, to the cultivators of certain villages of the Palanpur, Wadgam

and Gadh Talukas where the revision rates were fixed in the boom period.

48. In view of the scanty rainfall during the year under report His Highness has also been graciously pleased to sanction remission of an amount of Rs. 67,031/- from the Vighoti in all the Mahals of the State. As stated in para 15, in commemoration of the auspicious birth of a grandson to His Highness the Nawab Saheb Bahadur, His Highness was graciously pleased to sanction further remission of Rs. 75,000/- out of the arrears of Vighoti from cultivators amounting to about Rs. 1½ lac upto St. year 1984. This amounts to about 50 percent of the arrears.

CHAPTER III.

Law and Order.

Body Guard.

49. The Body-Guard, consisting of 33 units, was maintained at a cost of Rs. 16,718/- as against Rs. 19,751/- during the last year.

Infantry.

50. The "Iqbal Infantry" consisted of 171 men and was maintained at a cost of Rs. 48,896/- as against Rs. 40,571/- during the last year. A bag-pipe band has been maintained since the year 1926-27.

51. An additional irregular force of 25 men has been sanctioned for the Hari Manzil at Deesa.

52. Militia Force consisting of 100 men was also sanctioned during July 1940.

53. The Iqbal Infantry has been accommodated in the New Agency Police Lines purchased by the State and a common messing scheme for them is under consideration.

Bargir Sowars.

54. Bargir sowars and gunners numbering 127 were maintained at a cost of Rs. 10,809/- as against Rs. 11,648/- in 1938-39.

55. The strength of the State Police Force was as under :—

Year.	Officers including Jamadars.	Mounted.	Foot.	Total.	Annual cost.	Remarks.
1938-39	32	47	339	418	72,636	Orderlies +47
1939-40	32	47	339	418	75,985	+47

56. The work of the Police is shown in the following table :—

Year.	Value of property stolen.	Recovery.	Percentage of value of property recovered to that of stolen.
1938-39	36,142	6,287	17.3
1939-40	16,785	6,019	35.8

Criminal Justice.

57. The following table gives details of the working of the Criminal Courts :—

Year.	Number of offences.	Number of men brought to trial.	Discharged.	Acquitted.	Convicted.	Committed or referred.	Died, escaped or transferred.	Under trial at the end of the year.
1938-39	599	1,752	414	202	308	62	7	759
1939-40	563	1,931	499	290	365	35	6	736

58. The work of individual courts was as under :—

Name of the Court.	Number of offences.		Number of accused dealt with.		Number disposed of.	
	1938-39.	1939-40.	1938-39.	1939-40.	1938-39.	1939-40.
Sessions Court. ...	6	12	6	35	6	26
Sar Nyayadhish Court.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Palanpur City First Class Foujdari Nyayadhish Court.	107	119	222	274	134	141

Palanpur Second Class Magistrate Court ...	8	13	22	26	16	25
Taluka First Class Foujdari Nyayadhish Court. ...	219	210	696	769	405	522
Deesa Second Class Magistrate Court. ...	25	12	127	37	108	31
Deesa Nyayadhish Court. ...	133	81	427	478	152	221
Dhanera Panthawada Munsiff Court. ...	62	77	167	228	104	147
Dhanera Nyayadhish Court. ...	10	18	16	29	16	28
Panthawada Nyaya dhish Court. ...	9	4	18	5	18	5
Gadh Nyayadhish Court. ...	5	15	10	36	5	36
Wadgam Nyayadhish Court. ...	6	2	25	14	13	13
Dabhela Peta Nyayadhish Court. ...	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bapala Second Class Magistrate Court. ...	4	0	8	0	8	0
Gadhwada Nyaya-dhish Court. ...	5	0	8	0	8	0

59. Appeals.

Tribunal.	Number of applications.		Disposed of.		Remarks.
	1938-39.	1939-40.	1938-39.	1939-40.	
Huzur Court.	10	6	10	6	
Appellate Court.	25	45	23	31	

Civil Justice.

60. Civil Suits.

Year.	Number of suits.	Value. Rs.	Disposed of.	Average duration.	Pending at the end of the year.	Remarks.
1938-39	4,105	3,08,757	2,113	Y. M. D. 0-9-8.5	1,992	
1939-40	3,485	2,75,992	1,324	1-0-13.5	2,161	

61. Execution of Decrees.

Year.	Applications.	Valuation Rs.	Disposed of.	Remarks.
1938-39	1,967	2,24,166	1,006	
1939-40	613	1,85,518	869	

62. Civil appeals.

Year.	Number of appeals.	Valua- tion Rs.	Disposed of.	Pending at the end of the year.	Average duration.
1938-39	70	27,153	88	29	Y. M. D. 0-6-21
1939-40	49	16,674	41	27	0-5-13

Jail and Lock-ups.

63. There is a Central Jail at Palanpur and there are six lock-ups in the Mahals.

Year.	Number of accused.	Daily average.	Cost. Rs..	Average dura- tion of accus- ed under trial.
1938-39.	455	95.28	2,883	Y. M. D. 0-0-29.75
1939-40.	440	96.54	3,734	0-0-23.25

64. Registration.

Year.	Documents presented.	Documents registered.	Value of documents registered. Rs.	Fees. Rs.
1938-39.	512	511	2,82,208.	1,473
1939-40.	464	464	4,20,897.	2,288

65. Extradition.

Year.	Surrendered to Palanpur.		Surrendered by Palanpur.	
	Cases.	Persons.	Cases.	Persons.
1938-39.	24	24	16	24
1939-40.	19	24	12	14

The Poor House.

66. The Poor House known as "Shree Sher Muhammed Khan Mohtajkhana", continued to house, feed and clothe, without distinction of caste or creed, the poor and cripple, who are unable to work and have no one to look after them. It was maintained at a cost of Rs. 2103/- as against Rs. 1,481/- in 1938-39. The average daily number of inmates was 21 against 14 last year.

Municipality.

67. The Palanpur City Municipality was maintained at a cost of Rs. 19,819/- against Rs. 20530/- last year. The annual grant of Rs. 14,000/- given by the State to the Municipality, was paid during the current year.

68. The Deesa Municipality was maintained at a cost of Rs. 30,966/- in 1939-40 against Rs. 29,347/- last year. The State continued to pay to the Municipality a grant of Rs 2,000/- per annum.



CHAPTER IV.

Production & Distribution.

69. The total rainfall at Palanpur during the year 1939-40 was 14 inches 42 cents against 18 inches 61 cents during 1938-39 and the average for the first five years was 24 inches 48 cents.

70. The prices of food grains per maund of 40 seers prevailed as below:—

Year.	Wheat.	Bajri.	Jowari.	Mung. g.	Math.	Adad.	Gram.	Rice.	China.	Ghee.	Sweet oil.	Rapeseed oil.
1938-39	1-9	1-3	1-32	6	1-41	1-71	1-12	91	1-217	1-126	9	6-12
1939-40	2-3	1-13	1-123	4	1-142	2-52	53	101	1-102	1-98	2	7-9

Forests.

71. The revenue from the State forests during the year amounted to Rs. 8,873/- against Rs 12,684/- in 1938-39. The

forest land appears well suited for sandal-wood plantation and the recently-planted sandal-wood trees are thriving.

Railway.

72. The Palanpur State Railway runs entirely within the State territory between Palanpur and Deesa, a distance of 17.11 miles.

73. The State has become the sole proprietor of this Railway since the 1st April 1934. The net income for the year ending 31st March 1940 was Rs. 55,186/- against Rs. 57,245/- in 1938-39. It is worked by the B. B. & C. I. Railway on behalf of the State.

Customs.

74. The revenue from customs during the year 1939-40 amounted to Rs. 3,15,591/- against Rs. 3,16,863/- in 1938-39.

75. Out of the total customs revenue, Rs. 18,545/- were refunded to Jagirdars etc., while the special exemptions granted to particular individuals and officers amounted to Rs. 3,076/-.

76. Thus the net revenue remaining to the credit of the State was as under:—

Year.	Amount of import duty. Rs.	Amount of export duty. Rs.	Fines, forfeitures, etc. Rs.	Miscellaneous. Rs.	Total. Rs.
1938-39.	1,75,957	1,10,456	584	10,402	2,97,399
1939-40.	1,59,006	1,30,924	670	6,446	2,97,046

77. The tariff is varied from time to time according to the conditions of the market in order to avoid any adverse effect on trade.

Excise and Opium.

78. The excise and opium revenue during the year 1939-40 amounted to Rs. 2,19,832/- against Rs. 2,01,928/- in 1938-39.

(a) Excise revenue is principally derived from :—

- (i) the manufacture and sale of country liquor,
- (ii) the sale of foreign liquors, spirituous preparations etc., and
- (iii) miscellaneous receipts.

79. Country liquor was distilled departmentally by the State at Palanpur and issued to licensed vendors for sale at fixed rates.

80. This system of departmental distillation has been discontinued and the State has given a contract for three years from 1-11-1939 for the supply of distilled country liquor to the State.

81. The following table shows the number of shops and the revenue realised during the year under report:—

Year.	Number of Shops.	Revenue realised.				
		Licence fees. Rs.	Sale price of country liquor.	Duty. Rs.	Miscell- aneous. Rs.	Total. Rs.
1938-39	97	17,089	18,941	49,475	153	85,658
1939-40	101	18,027	22,537	59,387	377	1,00,328

(b) Revenue from opium and intoxicating drugs consists of:—

- (i) profit on opium issued for local consumption,
- (ii) the licence fees,
- (iii) refund of duty on intoxicating drugs,
- (iv) Opium Compensation paid by the Government of India under the terms of the Opium Agreement dated 20th October 1892, and
- (v) miscellaneous.

82. The following table shows the number of shops and the revenue realised :—

Year.	Number of shops.	Revenue realised.				Total. Rs.
		Profits on sale of opium. Rs	Licence fees. Rs.	Refund of duty on hemp drugs and charas. Rs.	Opium compen- sation from the Govt. of India. Rs.	
1938-39.	39	79,964	2,108	2,698	31,500	1,16,270
1939-40.	39	83,521	2,374	2,109	31,500	1,19,504

Match Excise Duty.

83. In accordance with the arrangements arrived at with the Government of India the State received during the year 1939-40 its preliminary share from the Match Excise Duty Pool amounting to Rs 14,111/-.

Public Works Department.

84. The expenditure of the Public Works Department during the year 1939-40 was Rs. 1,06,701/- against Rs. 1,66,422/- in 1938-39. The distribution of the expenditure of the Department was as below :—

Nature of work.	1938-39.	1939-40.
I. ORIGINAL WORKS.	Rs.	Rs.
Buildings.	80,077	58,938
Roads.	13,008	2,578
Miscellaneous.	22,674	23,622
II. REPAIRS.		
Buildings.	21,877	89,315
Roads.	19,574	5,780
Miscellaneous.	9,232	6,468

Posts & Telegraphs.

85. There are two combined posts and telegraph offices - one in Palanpur and the other in Deesa and the following ten Branch Post Offices.

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| 1. Shri Amirgadh. | 6. Juna Deesa. |
| 2. Chandigarh. | 7. Kanodar. |
| 3. Chhapi. | 8. Khimat. |
| 4. Dhanera. | 9. Meta. |
| 5. Gadh. | 10. Wadgam. |

86. 2 new letter boxes were placed in the villages of Chadotar and Ghodial, while the letter box at village Bhutedi was withdrawn during the year making the total number of letter boxes in the State 70.

CHAPTER V.

Revenue & Finance.

Receipts.

87. The year 1939-40 opened with a balance of Rs. 93,981/- against Rs. 90,213/- in 1938-39. The net total receipts in 1939-40 amounted to Rs. 11,70,333/- against Rs. 12,43,730/- in 1938-39.

Expenditure.

88. The total net expenditure in 1939-40 amounted to Rs. 11,11,665/- against Rs. 12,72,066/- in 1938-39.

89. An Appendix given at the end of the report gives details.

CHAPTER VI.

Vital statistics.

Palanpur Hospitals.

90. In Palanpur and Deesa there are State Hospitals, the one at Palanpur being known as the Good Fellow Hospital. There are besides the Dispensaries at Juna Deesa and Dhanera.

Good Fellow Hospital, Palanpur.

91. The Good Fellow Hospital affords accommodation for 25 male and female indoor patients.

92. The following table shows the work done at the Good Fellow Hospital:—

Work done.	1938-39.	1939-40.
Outdoor patients.	22,185	22,761
Daily average being.	287.6	349.6
Indoor patients.	313	384
Daily average being.	11.13	13.0

Major surgical operations.	188	284
Minor operations.	1,411	1,650
Post Mortem Examinations.	17	14
Medico-legal cases.	443	530
Pneumo-thorax.	30	88
Anti-rabic treatment.	44	39

93. The following table shows the result of the treatment of indoor patients:—

Year.	Number of indoor patients.	Discharged cured.	Absented.	Died.	Under treatment.
1938-39.	313	262	41	4	6
1939-40.	384	361	7	6	10

94. The maximum temperature at Palanpur was 112° against 109° last year and the minimum temperature was 41° against 38° last year.

95. The prevailing diseases were chiefly malarial fever, small-pox and diseases affecting respiratory system and those relating to the eye, ear, skin and digestion. The wells in the city were periodically disinfected with potassium permanganate by the Municipality as a precaution against the typhoid fever and other water-borne diseases.

96. The total expenditure of the Good Fellow Hospital amounted to Rs. 23,445/- against Rs. 23,896/- last year.

Deesa Mahal Hospital.

97. The Deesa Mahal Hospital has accommodation for 6 indoor patients.

98. The following table shows the work done:—

Work done.	1938-39.	1939-40.
Outdoor patients.	10,410	10,241
Daily average being.	109.4	121.5
Indoor patients.	106	128
Daily average being.	3.24	0.4

Major surgical operations.	0	0
Minor operations.	526	685
Post Mortem Examinations.	6	14
Medico-legal cases.	193	179

99. The following table shows the result of the treatment of indoor patients:—

Year.	Number of indoor patients.	Discharged cured.	Absented.	Died.	Under treatment.
1938-39.	106	24	80	2	0
1939-40.	128	124	1	3	0

100. The maximum temperature at Deesa was 109° against 106° last year, and the minimum temperature was 50° against 42° last year.

101. The total rainfall recorded at Deesa was 14.89 inches as against 11.26 last year.

102. The total expenditure of the Deesa Mahal Hospital during the year under report was Rs. 4,338/- against Rs. 4,312/- during the year preceding.

Juna Deesa Dispensary.

103. The following table shows the work done :—

Work done.	1938-39.	1939-40.
Outdoor patients.	2,970	2,635
Daily average being.	38	53
Minor operations.	179	199

104. The maximum temperature was 112° against 108° last year, and minimum temperature was 44° against 42° last year.

105. The total expenditure of this Dispensary amounted to Rs. 718/- against Rs. 737/- during the last year.

Dhanera Dispensary.

106. The following table shows the work done :—

Work done.	1938-39.	1939 40.
Outdoor patients.	3,925	3,540
Daily average being.	53 3	50.4
Minor operations.	133	150
Post Mortem Examinations.	0	5
Medico - legal cases,	99	99

107. The maximum temperature was 114° against 109° last year; and the minimum temperature was 47° against 44° last year.

108. The expenditure of the Dhanera Dispensary amounted to Rs. 1,015/- against Rs. 1,088/- last year.

109. The buildings to house the Dhanera Dispensary from the generous donation of Sheth Nanchand Gulabchand are under construction and will be completed by the end of the year.

Births and Deaths.

110. The number of births in the city of Palanpur during the year under report was 426 against 442 in the last year, the birth ratio per mille of population being 20.9.

111. The number of deaths in the city of Palanpur during the year under report was 728 against 710 in the last year, the death ratio per mille of population being 35.8. There were 324 deaths from small-pox during the period under report.

112. The total number of births in the whole State in 1939-40 was 3624 against 3571 in 1938-39 ; while the total number of deaths was 3,121 against 3,390 in 1938-39. The ratio of births and deaths per mille of population is given below :—

	1938-39.	1939-40.
Births.	13.4	13.7
Deaths.	12.7	11.8

Other Medical Institutions.

113. There are also four privately managed Dispensaries in the districts. Of these, "Shri Sher Muhammed Khan Dispensary" at Kanodar receives an annual grant from the State, while the Dispensaries at Deesa, Gadh and Panthawada are maintained from the Trust Funds or by their founders as charitable institutions.

114. Besides these Institutions, there is in the city of Palanpur a Dispensary financed from the Zaveri Mangalji Vamalsi Trust Fund. There is also the Hospital for Women and Children with a qualified Lady Doctor started by the Female Hospital Trust Fund in Palanpur City. It is doing very good work. A State building on the Shergunj Road has been handed over by His Highness for the use of this Hospital.

115. The indigenous Unani and the Ayurvedic systems of medicines are also receiving support. The Unani Dispensary is maintained by the State at a cost of about Rs. 1,275/- and is in charge of Abdul Aziz Garib Hakim, who treated 15,183 patients against 7,893 during the last year. The Ayurvedic Dispensary maintained by Vaidya Madhavlal Maneklal receives a subvention. It treated 8,640 patients against 7,920 last year.

Veterinary.

116. The Veterinary Dispensary treated 732 cases during the year under report.

117. The prevailing diseases during the period under report were cancer of the horn, sprains, eye-disease, dysentery, tumours, abscess and abdominal diseases.

118. There was an epidemic of rinderpest among the cattle of Shri Amirgadh Taluka during the period.

Vaccination.

119. The number of persons vaccinated was 8239 against 7,924 last year.

120. The following table gives details:—

Year.	Primary vaccination.				Revaccination.			
	Male.	Female.	Total.	Successful.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Successful.
1938-39.	3,468	3,182	6,650	6,011	1,007	267	1,274	1,001
1939-40.	4,108	3,782	7,890	6,994	236	113	349	285

121. The percentage of primary successful vaccination was 88.6 against 88.9 last year.

122. The total expenditure of the Vaccination Department amounted to Rs. 1,555/- against Rs. 1,584/- during the last year.

123. The average cost of each successful vaccination came to $3\frac{1}{8}$ annas against $3\frac{1}{2}$ annas last year.



CHAPTER VII.

Education.

124. The total number of schools in the State during the period under report was 109 against 103 last year, while the number of students (boys and girls) receiving education was 7,229 against 7,143 last year. The following table gives details of the schools and the number of students receiving education :—

Serial No.	Nature of schools.	Number of Schools.		Number of Students.		Remarks.
		1938-39	1939-40	1938-39	1939-40	
<u>Primary Schools.</u>						
1	State.	35	39	3,746	3,852	
2	State-Aided.	14	17	309	319	
3	State-Aided Municipal.	2	2	315	333	

4	State-Aided Mission & Urdu.	3	3	232	223
5	Gamthi (Private).	46	45	1,731	1,662
<u>Secondary Schools.</u>					
6	State High School.	1	1	690	705
7	State Middle School.	0	0	0	0
8	State-Aided Mu- nicipal Middle School.	1	1	111	123
9	Private Middle School.	1	1	9	12
Total.		103	109	7,143	7,229

125. The following table gives the number of boys and girls receiving education in the State Vernacular Schools and the communities to which they belong:—

Communities.		1938-39.	1939-40.
Brahmins.	{ Boys Girls	309 47	337 51
Jains.	{ Boys Girls	645 142	653 152
Other Hindus.	{ Boys Girls	1,878 83	1,884 129
Muhammedans.	{ Boys Girls	928 20	938 25
Parsis.	{ Boys Girls	0 0	0 0
Indian Christians.	{ Boys Girls	0 3	0 1
Jews.	{ Boys Girls	0 0	1 0
Total..	{ Boys Girls	3,760 295	3,813 358
Grand Total...		4,055	4,171

126. The number of students successful at the Vernacular Final Examination during the year under report was 9 against nil last year.

Other Primary Schools.

127. Besides these State Institutions there were other 45 'Gamthi' Schools entirely privately managed where 1,662 students received primary education during the year.

128. There were 14 Grant-in-Aid Vernacular schools in the State during the year 1938-39. The Grant-in-Aid School at Bhildi was converted into State Primary School, and four new Grant-in-Aid Schools have been opened at villages Paswadal, Pirojpura, Chadotar and Ghodial, thus increasing the number of Grant-in-Aid schools to 17 during the year 1939-40. 4 new State Primary Schools were opened in the villages of Ankaliara, Basu, Kuchawada and Jadia making the total of State Vernacular schools 39 during the year.

English Education.

129. The following tables give the figures of attendance and the classification of students according to castes:-

Class.	1938-39.		1939-40.	
	Boys.	Girls.	Boys.	Girls.
Number of boys and girls on roll.	659	+ 31	669	+ 36
Average monthly number on roll.		643		695

Average daily attendance.	592.5	647.5
Percentage of daily average attendance.	92.2	92.5
Amount of fees received.	Rs.4,941-4-0	Rs 5,402-12-0

Class.	1938-39.	1939 40.
Brahmins.	92.	108
Jains.	331	318
Other Hindus.	137	152
Muslims.	129	126
Parsis.	0	0
Indian Christians.	1	1

130. The total number of boys and girls receiving English Education during the year under report was respectively 669 and 36 against 659 and 31 in the previous year.

The scale of fees continued unchanged. The 30% of the total number of Hindu students and 43% of the Muslim students and all the children of agriculturists are exempted from the payment of fees.

131. The High School results at the Matriculation Examination of the Bombay University and the Elementary and Intermediate Drawing Examinations were as under :—

Examinations.	1938-39.			1939-40.		
	Appeared.	Successful.	Percent.	Appeared.	Successful.	Percent.
Matriculation.	41	34	82.9	53	26	49.1
Elementary Drawing.	4	3	75	9	1	11.1
Intermediate Drawing.	2	1	50	2	0	0

132. Physical training of the boys is looked after by a Drill Master and cricket and football are encouraged.

Scholarships.

133. Scholarships, prizes and medals of the annual value of Rs. 1,589/- are endowed both by the State and private gentlemen and ladies for the High School students and are awarded to the students studying in the High School and Colleges.

134. In addition to the scholarships and prizes mentioned above, His Highness the Nawab Saheb Bahadur was pleased to sanction Rs. 588/- as special scholarships to four needy students to prosecute their studies in Arts Colleges.

Prize Distribution.

135. On the 28th April 1940 Namdar Shri Nawabzada Saheb Bahadur distributed prizes to the successful students of the Palanpur High School in the presence of a large gathering of officials and citizens.

Middle Schools.

136. There is one privately-managed Middle School at Panthawada teaching upto the second standard, while the "Sir Charles Watson Middle School" at Deesa, which receives a grant from the State, teaches upto V Standard.

Expenditure.

137. The total expenditure incurred by the State on education during the year amounted to Rs. 68,905/- against Rs. 69,522/- and by the Municipality to Rs. 5,997/- against Rs. 5902/- last year.

CHAPTER VIII.

Miscellaneous.

Printing Presses.

138. There are two Printing Presses in the State, the "Palanpur Rajya Bhakta Printing Press" in Palanpur and the "Nawab Printing Works" in Deesa.

Libraries.

139. There are 5 private libraries in Palanpur, namely, the Victoria Jubilee Institute Library, Safi Library and 3 Jain Libraries, while there is one in Deesa.

Fairs.

140. The annual fairs of the Murshid Ali Peer Saheb and Kazi Anwar Saheb were successfully held in Palanpur City.

Club.

141. There is a State Club called the King Emperor George V Club, which affords facilities for indoor and outdoor games to its members.

Holidays.

142. Besides the gazetted holidays, the offices were closed on the following auspicious occasions :—

Birth of a grandson to His Highness the Nawab Saheb Bahadur.	{	15 & 16-11-39, and 18-11-39.
Birth of a son to Namdar Yuvraj Shri Digvijayasinghji Saheb of Limbdi.	{	19—2—40.
Betrothal of Sahebzada Shri Atta Muhammed Khan Saheb.	{	13-10-40.

Casualties.

143. The offices were also closed on account of the sad demise of :—

Mr. Maganlal G. Desai, B. Ag., Forest Officer.	{	5-12-39.
Ezazur Riyasat Sheth Mahommed Ali Jivaji Master, J. P.	{	26—2—40.
Khan Bahadur Sheth Merwanji of Deesa.	{	5—8—40.

Thakore Shri Sir Dolatsinhji
 Bahadur K. C. S. I., K. C. I. E., of }
 Limbdi. } 30-9-40.

Her Highness the Maharaj Mata
 Saheb, mother of His Highness the }
 Maharaja Saheb of Jammu and Kashmir. } 19-10-40.

Huzur Office, }
 Palanpur, 4th June 1941. } J. R. Dhurandhar.
 Wazir, Palanpur State.

Particulars of receipts and expenditure in the Palanpur State

No.	Receipts.	1938-39.			1939-40.			Remarks
1	Land Revenue.	496709	8	9	447715	13	0	
2	Local cess except on land.	12944	15	7	3703	5	11	
3	Customs.	297355	3	7	297432	5	1	
4	Opium & Abkari.	201928	8	0	219832	2	6	
5	Stamps & Registration.	36493	15	0	32777	8	0	
6	Forests.	13553	9	8	8874	15	2	
7	Hatghar & Land Department.							
8	Interest.	5310	1	5	4657	2	9	
9	Gardens.	248	8	0	445	0	0	
10	Municipality.	1	14	0	.3	9	0	
11	Political.	41406	10	4	38542	4	11	
12	Railways.	57244	13	4	55186	0	8	
13	Law & Justice.	7665	7	6	7695	7	10	
14	Jail.	4	8	0	5	1	0	
15	Police.	605	13	1	537	1	0	
16	Education.	5450	2	6	5853	4	4	
17	Survey Department.	161	12	0	234	4	0	
18	Palace.	775	0	0				
19	Miscellaneous.	60529	13	9	38568	6	9	
20	Recoveries.	5339	2	8	8269	10	4	
	Total receipts..	1243729	10	2	1170333	5	3	
20A.	Recoveries.	480454	8	1				
21	Debts.	492736	2	10	10	1	0	
22	Deposits repayable.	81500	10	3	70722	13	10	
23	Advances recovered.	272229	13	6	106437	2	2	
24	Investments.	113833	2	6	172871	14	11	
	Total of Heads 20A to 24..	1440754	5	2	350041	15	11	
	Opening Balance..	90212	10	7	93981	1	5	
	Grand Total..	2774696	9	11	1614356	6	7	

Huzur Office,
Palanpur, 4th June 1941.

from 1st November 1939 to 31st October, 1940.

No.	Disbursements.	1938-39.			1939-40.			Remarks.
1	General Administration.	43465	4	8	36727	4	11	
2	Land Revenue.	81506	12	8	79345	1	0	
3	Survey Department.	6455	14	5	6260	11	7	
4	Customs.	21529	4	3	21749	10	2	
5	Opium & Abkarl.	37979	3	4	39721	4	9	
6	Stamps & Registration.	2718	2	0	2425	5	0	
7	Law & Justice.	28567	5	0	28746	13	0	
8	Jail.	4922	12	6	5664	9	4	
9	Police.	72456	5	1	74810	12	10	
10	Sirbandi.	10337	2	3	10083	9	4	
11	Top & Gadikhana & Military.	64825	3	8	69813	11	3	
12	Municipality.	23800	0	0	23800	0	0	
13	Forest.	5468	10	8	5293	11	6	
14	Vera, Vadis, Gardens & Agriculture.	17470	0	2	17228	3	9	
15	Medical.	34162	3	8	34214	0	4	
16	Hatghar & Land Department.	2383	11	10	1964	5	3	
17	Public Works Department.	166442	5	8	106701	6	9	
18	Political.	100569	5	11	59097	8	8	
19	Interest.	5552	3	8	2137	1	8	
20	Bardasi Khata.	24839	13	2	12831	1	10	
21	Festivals & Ceremonials.	288	2	11	644	15	9	
22	Pension & Parwas.	16420	0	8	19663	7	0	
23	Dewasthan, Peerasthan & Dharmada	4212	4	4	4577	6	3	
24	Compensations for Jagirs.	7797	5	2	6396	6	2	
25	Travellers Bungalow & GuestHouse	19266	4	2	17980	0	7	
26	Education Department.	69521	10	5	68905	0	7	
27	Printing Charges.	3544	8	3	3250	2	3	
28	Palace.	198965	4	11	210932	5	11	
29	Raj Kharach.	96913	11	5	52554	11	6	
30	Rayasat.	87153	7	8	58789	5	10	
31	Fund, Subscription & Contribution.	2768	6	0	4901	11	0	
32	Extraordinary, unforeseen & occasional.	2045	5	3	12000	0	0	
33	Miscellaneous.	3593	11	3	7599	12	3	
34	Railway.	4123	12	4	4353	4	0	
35	Refunds & write off.							
	Total expenditure..	1272065	11	4	1111664	14	0	
36	Debts repaid.	421835	3	7				
37	Deposits repaid.	101355	13	5	69171	12	11	
38	Advances recoverable.	140811	5	0	141014	4	0	
39	Investments.	154590	9	10	178923	10	1	
40	Capital.	590056	13	4	17152	13	0	
	Total of Heads 36 to 40..	1408649	13	2	406172	8	0	
	Closing balance..	93981	1	5	96519	0	7	
	Grand Total..	2774696	9	11	1614356	6	7	

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